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TITLE OF INVENTION: WAVE POWER APPARATUS HAVING A FLOAT AND MEANS FOR LOCKING THE FLOAT IN A POSITION ABOVE THE OCEAN SURFACE

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## Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 424 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 424 day(s).

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	10/575,726	RESEN STEENSTRUP ET AL.	
Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit	
	IRAJ A. MOHANDESI	2834	
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1. This communication is responsive to <u>4132006</u> .			
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-28</u> .			
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Priority

Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority under 35
 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d). The certified copy has been filed in parent Application No. DK
 03 00693filed on 10/14/2003.

### Information Disclosure Statement

- 2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 12/11/2006, 04/13/2006, 01/311/2008. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.
- 3. Claims 1, 3, 8, 10-16, 18 and 20-27 have been amended.
- 4. Claims 29 and 30 have been canceled.

### Allowable Subject Matter

- 5. Claims 1-28 are allowed.
- 6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
- 7. The prior art of the record does not teach or suggest a supporting structure for a wave power apparatus comprising: at least one arm, which is rotationally supported at one end by a shaft and carrying a float at its other end, which is opposite to the supported end, so that a translational movement of the float caused by a wave results in rotation of the arm around the shaft including inter alias, a hydraulic lifting system for lifting the float out of the ocean and for locking the float in an upper position above the ocean surface, characterized in

that said at least one arm comprises a plurality of rotationally supported arms, each of which carries a float, each arm being connected to the hydraulic driving system by means of at least one actuator which causes a hydraulic medium of the hydraulic driving system to be displaced into one or more mutual motors, the actuators being arranged to displace the hydraulic medium to the motor via common hydraulic conduits, and the hydraulic lifting system is adapted to individually lift each float out of the ocean.

### Conclusion

8. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to IRAJ A. MOHANDESI whose telephone number is (571)272-2028. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Quyen Leung can be reached on 571-272-8188. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Nicholas Ponomarenko/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2834 April 8, 2009